



AMERICAN EMBASSY, NEW DELHI, INDIA

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: 14-056

OPEN TO: All Interested Candidates

POSITION: Media Specialist, LHS-10 (LHS grades are equivalent to FSN grades) (Contract Employee Agreement)

Level I (Trainee Level) – LHS 8 (FSN-07; FP7 and FSN-08; FP-6)
Level II (Development Level) – LHS 9 (FSN-09; FP-5 step 1 thru 4)
Level III (Full Performance) –LHS 10 (FSN-10; FP-5 step 5 thru 14)
(The position will be filled at the appropriate level, depending on the candidate selected)

OPENING DATE: August 5, 2014

CLOSING DATE: August 20, 2014

WORK HOURS: Full-time; 40 hours/week

SALARY: Starting salary and grade will be determined on the basis of qualifications and experience, and/or salary history.

ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT (OR) APPLICANTS (See Definitions) MUST HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

The US Embassy in New Delhi is seeking a full-time Media Specialist for South Asian current affairs to translate, review, summarize, and analyze content from South Asian languages including textual, Internet, and broadcast sources.

BASIC FUNCTIONS OF POSITION

Duties will include, but are not limited to, coverage of media developments and breaking news, production of translations and multimedia products, web content management, research, and written analysis. Incumbents will be required to work extended hours, weekends, and holidays and to travel periodically.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:

- Knowledge of South Asian current affairs and media (degree-level or minimum 2-3 years of equivalent experience)
- Level –IV Native or near-native fluency in oral and written English and Telugu. Fluency in Malayalam or other South Asian language is a plus.
- Ability to quickly and accurately translate into idiomatic English from Telugu and preferably a second regional language.
- Strong technical skills and knowledge of social media, web content management, and digital media tools.
- Self-motivated individual with the ability to work in a team environment.

QUALIFICATIONS DESIRED:

- Translation experience
- Experience with Excel, statistics, structured and unstructured data.

SELECTION PROCESS

Only short-listed candidates will be notified within 14 days of the closing date. Notified candidates will be tested to evaluate translation skills, English-language writing, and current events.

Only candidates passing all tests will be called for a final interview. Candidates with an additional language will be given preference.

When fully qualified, U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (USEFMs) and U.S. Veterans are given preference. Therefore, it is essential that the candidate specifically address the required qualifications above in the application.

ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA

1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget, and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
2. Current employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply.
3. Current Ordinarily Resident employees with an Overall Summary Rating of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory on their most recent Employee Performance Report are not eligible to apply.
4. Currently employed U.S. Citizen EFMs who hold a Family Member Appointment (FMA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment.
5. Currently employed NORs hired under a Personal Services Agreement (PSA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment unless currently hired into a position with a When Actually Employed (WAE) work schedule.

TO APPLY

Interested applicants for this position should submit the following:

1. Universal Application for Employment as a Locally Employed Staff or Family member (DS-0174) is available on website http://newdelhi.usembassy.gov/job_opportunities.html **or**
2. A current resume or curriculum vitae that provides the same information found on the UAE (see Definitions); **or**
3. A combination of both; i.e. Sections 1 -24 of the UAE along with a listing of the applicant's work experience attached as a separate sheet; **plus**
4. Candidates who claim U.S. Veterans preference must provide a copy of their Form DD-0214 with their application. Candidates who claim conditional U.S. Veterans preference must submit documentation confirming eligibility for a conditional preference in hiring with their application.
5. Any other documentation (e.g., essays, certificates, awards) that addresses the qualification requirements of the position as listed above.

Please submit a covering letter identifying how you meet the above qualifications and clearly stating your interest, qualifications, and language expertise.

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO

U. S. Embassy
Shantipath, Chanakyapuri
New Delhi 110 021

or

E-mail: NDBoxMediaSpecialist@state.gov

Please insert **14-056** (Vacancy Announcement Number) in the Subject of the E-mail NDBoxMediaSpecialist@state.gov. Applications without the vacancy number or with incorrect vacancy number will not be accepted.

DEFINITIONS

1. **Eligible Family Member (EFM):** An individual related to a U.S. Government employee in one of the following ways:

- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in [3 FAM 1610](#));
- Child, who is unmarried and under 21 years of age or, regardless of age, is incapable of self-support. The term shall include, in addition to natural offspring, stepchildren and adopted children and those under legal guardianship of the employee or the spouse when such children are expected to be under such legal guardianship until they reach 21 years of age and when dependent upon and normally residing with the guardian;

- Parent (including stepparents and legally adoptive parents) of the employee or of the spouse, when such parent is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support;
- Sister or brother (including stepsisters and stepbrothers, or adoptive sisters or brothers) of the employee, or of the spouse, when such sibling is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried, and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, incapable of self-support.

2. **U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM):** For purposes of receiving a preference in hiring for a qualified position, an EFM who meets the following criteria:

- U.S. Citizen; and,
- EFM (see above) at least 18 years old; and,
- Listed on the travel orders of a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member assigned to or stationed abroad with a USG agency that is under COM authority, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and either:
 1. Resides at the sponsoring employee's or uniformed service member's post of assignment abroad or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; or
 2. Resides at an Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (ISMA) location authorized under 3 FAM 3232.2.

3. **Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM):** EFM (see above) eligible for a Family Member Appointment for purposes of Mission employment:

- Is a U.S. citizen; and
- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in [3 FAM 1610](#)) or a child of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; and
- Is listed on the travel orders or approved Form [OF-126](#), Foreign Service Residence and Dependency Report, of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad at a U.S. mission, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT), and who is under chief of mission authority; and
- Is residing at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad or, as appropriate, office of the American Institute in Taiwan.
- Does not receive a Foreign Service or Civil Service annuity

4. **Member of Household (MOH):** An individual who accompanies a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member permanently assigned or stationed at a U.S. Foreign Service post or establishment abroad, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan. An MOH is:

- Not an EFM; and,
- Not on the travel orders of the sponsoring employee; and,
- Has been officially declared by the sponsoring USG employee to the COM as part of his/her household.

A MOH is under COM authority and may include a parent, unmarried partner, other relative or adult child who falls outside the Department's current legal and statutory definition of family member. A MOH does not have to be a U.S. Citizen.

5. **Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR)** – An individual who:

- Is not a citizen of the host country; and,
- Does not ordinarily reside (OR, see below) in the host country; and,
- Is not subject to host country employment and tax laws; and,
- Has a U.S. Social Security Number (SSN).

NOR employees are compensated under a GS or FS salary schedule, not under the LCP.

6. **Ordinarily Resident (OR)** – A Foreign National or U.S. citizen who:

- Is locally resident; and,
- Has legal, permanent resident status within the host country; and,
- Is subject to host country employment and tax laws.

EFM's without U.S. Social Security Numbers are also OR. All OR employees, including U.S. citizens, are compensated in accordance with the Local Compensation Plan (LCP).

If an applicant is submitting a resume or curriculum vitae, s/he must provide the following information equal to what is found on the UAE.

Failure to do so will result in an incomplete application.

- A. Position Title
- B. Position Grade
- C. Vacancy Announcement Number
- D. Date of Birth
- E. Place of Birth
- F. Dates Available for Work
- G. First, Middle, & Last Names as well as any other names used
- H. Current Address, Day, Evening, and Cell phone numbers
- I. U.S. Citizenship Status (*Yes or No*) & status of permanent U.S. Resident (*Yes or No; if yes, provide number*)
- J. U.S. Social Security Number and/or Identification Number
- K. Eligibility to work in the country (*Yes or No*)
- L. Special Accommodations the Mission needs to provide (*Yes or No; if yes, provide explanation*)
- M. If applying for position that includes driving a U.S. Government vehicle, Driver's License Class / Type
- N. Days available to work
- O. List any relatives or members of your household that work for the U.S. Government (include their Name, Relationship, & Agency, Position, Location)
- P. U.S. Eligible Family Member and Veterans Hiring Preference
- Q. Education
- R. License, Skills, Training, Membership, & Recognition
- S. Language Skills
- T. Work Experience
- U. References

CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: (August 20, 2014)

The U.S. Mission in New Delhi provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.

The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief.